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Untended baby dies in blaze, toddler critical

A 1-year-old child died and a 3-year-old remains in critical condition after a Sunday afternoon fire at a Romulus apartment. The children were alone in the apartment when the blaze occurred, according to reports from the Romulus fire and police departments.

The fire, which apparently started in the mother's bed, was reported by a 911 call from neighbors at the Gateway Townhouse complex at Eureka and Harrison at about 1:45 p.m., according to officials.

The mother of the children was arrested when she arrived at the scene and charges from the Wayne County Prosecutor's office are pending the completion of an investigation, according to police.

According to Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Krause, fire crews arrived at the scene within two minutes of the 911. Firefighters had to force their way into the home and cleared debris in the blaze so they could search for victims. The 3-year-old boy was found on the floor, just inside the door of a bedroom. The child was still breathing and was airlifted to Beaumont Hospital in Taylor but due to the seriousness of his condition, is now in pediatric intensive care unit at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

After rescuing the child, firefighters rushed back into the burning building and found the baby girl. She was pronounced dead at Heritage Hospital in Taylor.

The children suffered severe smoke inhalation, Krause said, but did not appear to have serious burns.

Krause said the mother was taken into custody by police at the scene, partly for her own protection. "Neighbors knew she had been leaving the children alone and were angry and upset," he said.

Supporters of the new Champions of John Glenn High School program gathered with students last week. Front row, from left, are School Resource Officer Sgt. Joe Bobby, Doug Shaw, Lynette Hobyak and School Psychologist Lou Przybylski along with students including Sarah Hayes, Ashlyn Nordquist, Sarah White, Shania Jones, Christina Lynch, Tanyah Whitt, Morgan Prater, Allora French, Ford Powers, Brandon Washington, Isaac Young, Hazel Juzo, Brandon Allen and Chase Storm. In the photo below, Westland Mayor William Wild, Przybylski and Shaw have some encouraging words for Champions students. Photos by Sean Rhaesa

Smart money

New program rewards students with cash for grades

Students at John Glenn High School are going to get a lesson in basic economics with a new academic program that pays cash for contracted services.

It's as simple as ABC.

A: Sign a contract.

B: Perform as you have promised

C: Get paid for your efforts.

Local businessman and former city councilman Glenn Shaw and his family have pledged $50,000 to fund the new program.

"We just want these kids to succeed. We want them to understand that they are in charge of their futures and that if they work, do what they agree to do, they will be rewarded," explained Shaw, who is also the founder of The Westland Community Foundation.

The new plan, Champions of John Glenn, is similar to a successful program in place at Wayne Memorial High School, also in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools District. The program offers high school students the opportunity to choose a "mentor" from the teaching staff at the school, sign a contract to improve their grade-point average and work toward that goal. The John Glenn program differs in that students who achieve their goals will receive a $200 check.

School Psychologist Louis Przybylski said, more than 90 percent of the teachers at John Glenn have volunteered to participate in the program. He, along with Assistant Principal Kim Ciesynski will coordinate the program at the school.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to help increase students' academic motivation," Przybylski said. "This is a great opportunity for students to work with a mentor. While the substantial external reward is what captures students' initial interest, this will get entry into better academic performance."

Przybylski and Ciesynski will meet with the students to ensure they have set adequate goals, Przybylski said. He estimated that there could be 450-500 students who sign onto the program.

"We want to reach all the

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Law firm billings prompt trustees' questions

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Two paid invoices addressed to the attention of Supervisor Shannon Price suggest the township has made a surprise change in legal counsel on two major issues.

The invoices, included on a monthly expense report prepared for the members of the board of trustees, prompted a tense exchange during the regular meeting of the board members last week. Trustees Bob Doroshewitz and Chuck Curmi questioned Price, Treasurer Ron Edwards and Clerk Nancy Conzelman about the invoices to the township from the law firm of former Michigan State Attorney General Mike Cox. The invoices included fees of $2,810 for work regarding the "Plymouth Township vs. Plymouth Joint Fire Retirement Retiree Issue." A second invoice for $2,560 was for legal work on the matter of "Plymouth Township vs. Detroit-DeHoCo." The total on one invoice, indicating there was a previous balance for legal work on the fire department retirement cost issue was for a total of $6,035.

Doroshewitz and Curmi said they questioned the charges from the Cox law firm, because the township has for decades been represented by Hemming, Polaczyk, Cronin, Witthoff and Bennett. Kevin Bennett, the attorney who has been handling the DeHoCo lawsuit in which Detroit is demanding return of a $15 million parcel of land, also acts as township magistrate in the 35th District Court, is full-time counsel for the township and attends all monthly board meetings. His law partner Timothy Cronin, who is now retired, unsuccessfully argued against Detroit attorneys who are demanding the return of the land the township purchased at an improper tax sale. The land is the site of the former Detroit House of Corrections and the case is now in the Michigan Court of Appeals. Bennett is the attorney of record representing the township.

Doroshewitz asked Price if

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Westland

Voters to select 4 councilmen, new clerk

Westland voters will choose four council members and a new city clerk when they go to the polls Nov. 3.

The new city clerk will be the second elected clerk in the history of the city and will replace Eileen DeHart Schoof, who announced her retirement earlier this year. Schoof became the first clerk elected in the city when she took office in 2004.

Vying for the four-year term which pays $91,000 annually are Richard LeBlanc and Jody Rice-White.

LeBlanc, a lifelong Westland resident, is the current Wayne County Commissioner and served three terms as the State Representative. He served three terms on the Westland City Council and one term on the Wayne Westland Schools Board of Education.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration at Concordia Collete and is a 1976 graduate of John Glenn High School. He and his wife have two children and three grandchildren.

Rice-White is a real estate appraiser and broker and a "housing counselor." She is the mother of two and an advocate of home schooling while both her children currently attend public high school.

Seeking election to the Westland City Council is William Campbell, a city resident since 1997. Campbell earned his bachelors degree in behavioral science from the University of Michigan.

Campbell has criticized the current administration and spending and the construction of the new City Hall and the installation of new water meters in the city.

Incumbent City Council President James Godbout is seeking re-election. Godbout earned his bachelor of science in business administration degree from Lawrence Technological University and attended the Michigan Municipal League Elected Official Academy.

He and his wife Sande have a son and are 37 year residents of the city.

He has served on the Westland City Council since 2000 and has served at the vice chair of Nankin Transit Commission, chairman of the Wetland Recycling Committee and is a member of the Westland Technology Committee, the Michigan Municipal League Governance Committee and Energy and Technology Committee.

Godbout said his goals are to maintain a balanced city budget and continue to improve facilities and services to the public. Incumbent Adam Hammons earned his degree at Grand Valley State University. He and his wife, Melissa, are the parents of three sons.

He has been a member of the City Council for six years and is a former president of the Westland Planning Commission and a former member of the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals and a current member of Westland Mission Green.

Hammons said his goal to keep the city moving forward in a positive direction while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

Candidate Peter Herzberg is currently an undergraduate student of finance at Wayne State University. He said if elected, he would use his financial skills and be a voice for homeowners. He said he has done fundraising and charity work as a volunteer in the city and sought election to the city council in 2011.

He said one of his goals is to increase police and firefighter staffing and improve city roads.

Incumbent Bill Johnson said he is seeking re-election in an effort to continue the work he and his colleagues on the council have begun. He said the current council and mayor tool a projected fund deficit and managed the city finances to a $5.4 million positive fund balance.

Challenger Judy McKinney, a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, said that she has attended Westland City Council meetings since 1988 and has a better attendance record than present council members. She said she has spent 27 years in customer service and accounting at AT&T and that experience would transfer to the council.

Former Mayor Charles Pickering hopes to return to the city council. He has a degree in Parks and Recreation Administration from Wayne State University with post-graduate classes. He has been a city resident since 1971 and was the fourth mayor of the city, serving from 1982-1986 and was on the city council for more than 19 years, six of those as council president.

He said his goal is to improve public safety in the city which he described as a challenge.

Dewey K. Reeves, an incumbent, has been on the city council in Westland for eight years during three election cycles. He attended Eastern Michigan University and said that the Ford Road Project in the city is a concept he actively supports.

Reeves said his priorities are public services including protecting police and fire staffing and providing infrastructure.

He said education of the public regarding the use of these grants and funding is needed to help alleviate some misinformation about the way funding has been allocated in the city.

Champions

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kids, not just those who are already performing. The goals may be as simple as increasing a grade from a D to a C or a B to a B plus. Our goal is for each of them to increase their grade point average by one-half a point," Shaw explained, "we just want to show them what they can do and that hard work pays off."

In addition to the $200 check, the students who achieve the highest percentage of GPA improvement will also be rewarded with a one-year scholarship to Wayne County Community College District or Schoolcraft College, each having donated to the program.

"We have been fortunate in the help we are receiving from many local businesses with the program," Shaw said. "These are people who understand that these kids have to grasp the importance of education to their futures. Many of them will be the business people, the employees, the real backbone of our community in the next decades."

"I am excited to be a part of the Champion program and currently mentor four students," said Marci Rosen, special education provider at John Glenn High School.

The adult mentors also agree that the financial incentive offered by Westland business and community partners will help make this program successful.

"The Champion program has certainly provided a financial incentive for our students to improve. That being said, I think that once they buy into the program and establish a relationship with someone in the building, the money, while important to them, isn't the only reason they are trying to improve themselves," Rosen said.

The program will include a dinner in February which all students who sign onto the program can attend, at no cost, and where those who have achieved their goals will receive their checks.

In addition to Shaw's cash commitment, the Westland Community Foundation has pledged $6,000 to help fund the new Champions of John Glenn Program, along with several other donors, including Shaw's children.

"The fact that an outside businessman would take this kind of an interest in John Glenn High School is remarkable," Przybylski said. "This has created a very positive academic vibe around the school."

Contributions to the program are being accepted at the Westland Community Foundation office, 38110 Executive Dr. in Westland, 48185.

More information is available by contacting Shaw at (734) 595-7727.

Don't let the 7 percent decide for you

Vote Nov. 3

Only 4,643 of the 59,838 Registered Electors in Westland Voted in the Primary Election.

EXPERIENCE MAKES THE DIFFERENCE

Choose city council candidates who have helped make Westland the 50th Best City in America and continued to improve public safety and city services while building a much-needed new City Hall and Fire Station at no additional cost to taxpayers.

After a careful and detailed review of their experience and qualifications, The Committee for Responsible Government endorses and highly recommends these five candidates for Westland offices.

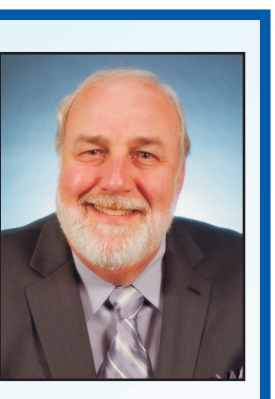
Richard LeBlanc for Westland City Clerk

Richard LeBlanc has served as an elected official for more than two decades in the City of Westland and as a County Commissioner and State Representative.

He has worked well with local officials to effect the progress Westland has enjoyed during the past years.

Richard LeBlanc has shown he can work well with the incumbent city council members toward continued progress in our community. A new city clerk must understand and share the values and priorities of the current council members and Mayor to ensure continued progress in Westland.

James Godbout



James Godbout's exceptional record of community service and community involvement has proven his dedication to the best interest of ALL Westland residents. His exemplary voting record on issues affecting senior services and public safety in the city, along with his educational and professional experience, will continue to serve Westland residents in a responsible manner. His effective leadership has helped find unique financial means to provide new infrastructure like the new City Hall without any increase to taxpayers. Godbout's continued leadership is crucial to the continued progress in Westland.

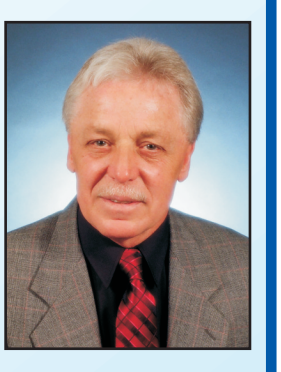
Dewey Reeves

Dewey Reeves provides a much-needed viewpoint and influence on the City Council. He has an extraordinary grasp of the real issues facing the community and brings the concerns of senior citizens along with the need for progress and development to the council table. His effective promotion of both commercial development and more efficient use of personnel and resources of the city have helped streamline municipal operations and provide services at lower costs to residents. His input is a key factor in the current progress and continued improvement of the community.

Adam Hammons

Adam Hammons has a proven record of financial responsibility and concern with the best possible use of city finances. His continued efforts to move the city forward while keeping spending in line with revenue have been invaluable to the current Mayor's efforts to provide consistent balanced budgets while still providing services to the residents. His efforts to bring events to the community to highlight the quality of life in the city bring a unique and needed viewpoint to the council table. Hammons' dedication to neighborhood improvement have shown remarkable results throughout the city.

Bill Johnson



Bill Johnson has shown a unique dedication to residents of the community, always questioning the benefit of proposals for every segment of the city population. His consistent votes on issues demonstrate his ability to see all sides of an issue and work toward a comprehensive solution and measures that protect seniors, public safety, recreation and development. His maturity and breadth of experience bring a unique viewpoint to the council. His efforts to protect services while pushing the city forward are a needed catalyst on the City Council.

For these reasons, the Committee for Responsible Government has highly endorsed

Richard LeBlanc for City Clerk and James Godbout, Dewey Reeves, Adam Hammons and Bill Johnson for election to the Westland City Council.

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BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS - WAYNE

Wayne voters to choose mayor, 4 councilmen

Wayne voters will choose a new mayor and four members of the city council when they go to the polls Nov. 3.

Candidates for the two-year mayoral term are Susan Rowe, a current member of the city council, Bob Boertje and Len Fisher, who is a write-in candidate.

In a recent forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters at the Wayne Library, candidates responded to questions regarding their experience and plans for the city, if elected.

Boertje said his priority would be the budget, which he said has not been balanced in years. He said he also wanted to examine the reasons for the current water rates in the community. Boertje said he would hope to work with the city manager on that issue.

Fisher suggested that the city tax base needed to be increased and said there were many vacant buildings in the city. He suggested that the city should be actively recruiting businesses and residents.

Rowe said the city needs to increase revenue and find more efficient uses of the funds available. She suggested finding a more cost beneficial means of funding public safety, both police and fire like those discussed at a recent Michigan Municipal League conference. Rowe also addressed what she characterized as the lack of trust in city government by citizens, a situation she said should be addressed by making department heads and officials more available to speak with the public about issues.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 3

Candidates for the four council seats, include Christopher Sanders in Ward 1, the only name to appear on the ballot. He is being challenged by two write-in candidates, Alfred Brock and Allen "Buddy" Shuh.

Brock, like Rowe, suggested that more communication is needed between city officials and residents and suggested the use of available electronic media to help facilitate that change.

Sanders asked if the city was better off now than it was 50 years ago and said that new leadership and a fresh approach were sorely needed in the city. He said that he was a candidate looking for change in the way the city was managed and the attitudes of those in office. Sanders also cited his history of involvement in the city and his volunteer efforts.

Shuh suggested that his experience as a retail operations manager, teacher and minister could help with the current financial problems in the city. He said his educational degrees in math and economics would be helpful if he were elected and said he has more than 300 hours of volunteer service in the community this year.

Incumbent Councilman John Rhaesa is unopposed in Ward 2.

Lorne "Skip" Monit is seeking re-election in Ward 3 and is being challenged by Tom Porter.

Monit said he has been part of council while some difficult financial decisions have been made in an effort to curtail spending and balance the budget following the economic downtown.

Porter, like Sanders, stressed the need for change in the way the city is being managed and the operated. He said that business as usual will not work and that he would work with suggestions from the community.

Anthony Miller is seeking an at-large two-year term he was appointed to complete. Lucietta Miles is also seeking the term.

Miller said this election is a turning point in the city and that the citizens obviously want change and wants the council to be more proactive.

Miles did not participate in the League of Women Voters forum.

Superintendent Marjie McAnally, left, Meemic representative Judy Brochue, teacher Rochelle Lloyd, Special Services Director Molly Garcia, and Barth Elementary Principal David Thompson were all pleased with the recent grant.

Grant provides school supplies

Barth Elementary teacher Rochelle Lloyd is always looking for resources and funding opportunities to improve her classroom. Last month, her efforts were rewarded with a grant from the Meemic Foundation.

Lloyd teaches 15 students from grades three through six who are challenged with various disabilities.

"I applied for the Back-to-School grant through the Meemic Foundation and was awarded $100 which allowed me to raid the dollar store for important items," said Lloyd.

With cuts to school budgets, the grant provided Lloyd the opportunity to purchase materials students otherwise wouldn't have, including hands-on manipulative and sensory items that allow her students to concentrate and cope during stressful situations throughout their educational day, she said.

Lloyd's sixth-grade student Brandon Carroll had a professional-sounding assessment of the class projects.

"We work as a team using geometric shapes," he said.

The Meemic Foundation awards grants quarterly to schools in Michigan for a variety of educational needs. Each grant is evaluated based on the need of the classroom and how it will have a lasting impact on students.

"Next year I plan on submitting a grant application for the $500 award" Lloyd said.

Art entry deadline is Oct. 31

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts (BACA) will continue to accept entry forms for the 2015 Belleville Area Community Art Show until Saturday, Oct. 31. Entry forms may be dropped off at the front desk of the Belleville Area District Library, 167 Fourth St., Belleville and must be received by Oct. 31, no exceptions.

The show this year will take place Nov. 6, 7 and 8 at the Belleville Yacht Club (BYC), 831 E. Huron River Dr. and is free and open to the public to attend. An evening reception is planned from 7-9 Nov. 6, with many of the artists and guest judges in attendance. Awards will be announced at approximately 7:30 p.m. The show continues from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7 and from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8.

More information is available at (734) 347-0430 or artshow@bacaart.org.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton will be holding a Public Hearing to adopt the 2016 Budget on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 Canton Center Rd. S., Canton, MI. A copy of the 2016 Budget will be available for public inspection at the Township's Clerk's office.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon a two week notice to the Charter Township of Canton. These services include signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

Gwyn Belcher, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, November 12, 2015 for the following:

Interior Renovation of Office Space - Public Safety C.S.U.

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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Public safety millage, school tax on ballot

Voters in Van Buren Township will be asked to approve a tax specifically dedicated to funding public safety throughout the community and another for a sinking fund for the school district.

Voters will be asked to approve a 6.5 millage for seven years to fund the public safety department. The millage, if approved, would generate $6,468,215 and be used for the operation and equipment in both the police and fire departments.

The cost to taxpayers would be $6.50 for each $1,000 of taxable home value. This millage replaces an expiring tax that ends Dec. 31, 2016.

The Van Buren Public Schools is also proposing a millage question on the ballot. The district is requesting voter approval of a sinking fund for the purpose of construction or repair of school buildings and the improvement and development of sites and for any other purpose which may be authorized by law.

The school district is asking voters for .5 mill, or 50 cents on each $1,000 of taxable value of a home, for a period of seven years. It is estimated that the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2016 calendar year would be approximately $753,255 from the local taxes authorized in this proposal.

In Belleville, incumbent Kerreen Conley is being challenged by Phillip Miller for the 4-year mayoral term.

Candidates for the two city council terms in Belleville include incumbent Jack Loria, Jim Shrove and incumbent Tom Smith.

Library plans Halloween events

The Romulus Public Library will welcome costumed trick or treaters during regular hours Oct. 30 and 31. Candy treats will be provided.

The library will host a Halloween party for those 12 years of age and older at 1 p.m. Oct. 31.There will be food, candy and Halloween-themed games, including a candy ball. Prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
PUBLIC NOTICE

To all residents and other interested parties: Agendas and Minutes for the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees Meetings are available for review online at www.plymouthtwp.org under Agendas/Minutes and in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI.

Regular Meeting dates in 2015: November 17 and December 15.
Special meetings, if any, will occur on Tuesdays, unless otherwise posted. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the Board of Trustees Meetings.

Nancy Conzelman
Township Clerk

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Charter Township of Canton Special Board Proceedings – October 15, 2015

A Special Study Meeting for the 2016 & 2017 Budget by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sneideman, Williams, Yack Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Director Faas, Director Mutchler, Director Trumbull, Fire Chief Meier, Deputy Fire Chief Stoecklein, Deputy Chief Hilden, Barb Caruso, Carolyn Cox, Jeff Goulet, Greg Hohenberger, Jon LaFever, Brad Sharp, Peg Stephens Guest: General Manager-Fellows Creek Jeff LeBlanc **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to amend the agenda to add one General Calendar Item G-1: Ground Lessor's Subordination Agreement on Arctic Edge Ice Arena. Motion carried unanimously **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Ground Lessor's Subordination Agreement on Arctic Edge Ice Arena. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the attached Ground Lessor's Subordination Agreement for Arctic Edge Ice Arena and further authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to execute the necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to move to the Study Session. Motion carried unanimously. **STUDY SESSION:** Finance Director, Wendy Trumbull explained to the board she would be going the 2016 budget and then cover the 2017 Proposed Budget. The 2016 Budget will be before the board on November 10, 2016 for adoption. Trumbull presented the following power point presentation of 2016 Budget Changes as well as the 2017 Proposed Budget: 2016 Budget Adjustments: Budget Adjustments – General Fund by GL Account Number Budget Adjustments – Fire Fund Budget Adjustments – Police Fund Budget Adjustments – Community Center Fund Budget Adjustments – Cable Budget Adjustments – Golf Budget Adjustments – Water/Sewer Budget Adjustments – Community Improvement and Service Fund Budget Adjustments – Capital Projects – Roads and Solid Waste Budget Adjustments – Post Employment Benefits 2016 Budget Final Review: General Fund Fire Fund Police Fund Community Center Fund Street Lighting and Cable TV Funds Public Improvement and Community Improvement Funds 911 Service and WWN Forfeiture Funds CDBG, NSP, and Energy Project Debt Services Funds Capital Projects and Water & Sewer Capital Projects Funds Capital Projects – Roads and Solid Waste Funds Golf Course Fund Water and Sewer Fund Fleet Maintenance Fund Post Employment Benefits and Special Assessment Debt Service Funds and Grand Totals Information 2017 Preliminary Budget Summary of Accounts 2017 Preliminary Budget – Detail by Account Classification Director Faas presented the following power point presentation of the 2017 MSD Budget: Full-Time Staffing 2017 MSD Budget Summary 2017 Highlights: Building & Inspection Services 2017 Highlights: Residential Rental Inspections 2017 Highlights: Planning Services 2017 Highlights: Engineering Services 2017 Highlights: Community Improvement Fund Independence Park – 60% of the Parking Lot 2017 Highlights: Stormwater Drains 2017 Highlights: Water Distribution System 2017 Highlights: Sanitary Sewer Collection System 2017 Highlights: Fleet Services Accreditation Update MSD Strategic Plan – Five Year Plan Director Mutchler presented the following power point presentation of the 2017 PSD Budget: Director's Introductions Public Safety Department – Budget Process Fire Comparative Analysis as of January, 2015 Police Comparative Analysis as of January, 2015 Sworn Police Officers – Staffing Levels per 1000 Residents Public Safety Department – Alternate Funding Sources Utilized Since 2011 Public Safety Department – Alternate Funding Future Considerations Fire Department – Future Considerations Fire Department – Five-Year Strategic Plan Focus Fire Department – Run Volume & Staffing Fire Department – Ems Cost Recovery Fire Department – 2015 Vehicle Replacement Schedule – 5 Year Strategic Plan Fire Department – Prevention & Inspection Division Fire Department – fire Maintenance Inspections Fire Department – Preparing for the Future Fire Department – Community Relations/Public Education Fire Department – 2017 Expenditure Increases over $10,000.00 Fire Department – 2017 Capital Items Emergency Management – 2017 Budget E911 Budget 2017 E/911 Budget - Budget and Capital Items Police Department - 2017 Police Budget Police Department – Patrol Division – Strategic Plan Staffing Update Police Department – Patrol Division Crime Reduction Police Department – Staff Operations Division – Digital Forensic Examiner & Lab Police Department – Staff Operations Division – Crime Suppression Unit Police Department – 2017 Expenditure Increases over $10,000.00 Police Department – 2017 Capital Items Public Safety Department – Future Challenges Public Safety Department – Closing Remarks Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz presented the following power point presentation of the 2017 Canton Leisure Services Budget: Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – CLS Vision and CLS Goals Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – General Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Facilities Maintenance and Parks Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Cemetery and Social Services Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Senior Services Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Recreation Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Administration and Sports Center Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Performing Arts Center and Historic District Commission Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Summit Community Center Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Cable Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Fellows Creek Golf Club Canton Leisure Services Budget Overview – Pheasant Run Golf Club Canton Leisure Services 2016 Capital Projects **OTHER:** None **ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.
_____ Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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Inkster - Plymouth

Council members, mayor on Inkster ballot

Inkster voters will go to the polls Nov. 3 to choose a new mayor, council representatives and decide on two proposals on the ballot.

Hoping to become the new mayor in the city are local attorney Byron Nolen and Walter Starghill, Jr.

Timothy Williams is unopposed in his bid for the council seat in District 1. In District 2, Calvin L. Hayes is opposed for the 4-year term by Clarence Oden, Jr.

In District 3, Lorenzo A. Moner, Jr. and Sandra K. Watley are each seeking the single, 4-year term while in District 4, Jewell Jones and William S. Miller, are each hoping to fill the 4-year term. In District 5, Kim Howard 26666 Lehigh and Winston Wade are vying for voters' favor and in District 6, former City Councilwoman and Inkster School Board member Dee Richardson is challenging Dennard Shaw for the 4-year term.

Also on the ballot are 4-year terms on the Library Board of Directors for the city. Six positions on the board are available and voters can choose from a field of candidates that includes, Brittni Abiolu, Akindele Akinyemi, Winifred Nwankwo, Rerhi Onomake, DeAndra Crystal-Rikay Watley, Michael Wells and Emmereal Shawn Wells.

Voters will also be asked to approve a renewal of 2 mills for the operations of the Inkster Parks and Recreation services and 1 mill for 10 years for Senior Services in the community.

General fund dollars are not available to support these programs, officials said and the average cost to a homeowner is estimated to be $32.52 and would generate an estimated $400,000 if a full 2.0 mills was determined to be needed in any year

The second millage is for senior citizen services and officials said that there is no money in the general fund to continue these services. The average cost to a homeowner is estimated to be $16.26 and would generate an estimated $200,000 if a full 1.0 mills was determined to be needed in any year.

Voters will also be asked to approve the non-Homestead millage proposal which is levied against commercial, business and industrial property in the City of Inkster. This is a renewal of the existing tax and does not affect residential property.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Nov. 3. Questions should be referred to the office of the city clerk, 26215 Trowbridge St, Inkster, MI 48141, (313) 563-4232.

Bills

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he had made a unilateral decision in hiring Cox and wanted to know when the township changed law firms.

"Page 70 Legal Services for legal expenses going to Mike Cox. Mike Cox is a friend of yours, you used to work in his office. There's nothing wrong with hiring a friend, but you need to stay away from the line. You should have notified the board. You crossed a line when you didn't notify the board," Doroshewitz said. "The problem is you were hiring legal counsel when we already had counsel. That was redundant," Doroshewitz said.

"When did we talk about hiring Mike Cox Law Firm?" he asked.

Cox, a high-ranking Republican Party leader and Price are known political associates.

Mike and Laura Cox attended their first-ever Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting last April to congratulate Price after his controversial appointment to the supervisor's job, replacing Richard Reaume, who retired mid-term and moved to Florida.

The Price-Cox alliance goes back to 2002 when Price worked for Cox during his political campaign against Democratic candidate Gary Peters. Price then worked in Cox' office under political director Stu Sandler and later for Attorney General Bill Schuette. He remained in that job until he was elected to the Wayne County Commission seat in 2012.

"He's a former attorney general," Price said in response to Doroshewitz.

Edwards responded that he orchestrated the Cox contract.

"I…reached out to Mike Cox last October. I talked to Richard Reaume," Edwards said.

"So you made this decision?" Doroshewitz pressed.

Edwards responded that there was nothing in the township purchasing policy that stipulated he, Conzelman or Price have to "reach out to the board."

Curmi said there were no invoices or detail for the legal services from the Cox firm provided to the trustees.

The Eagle obtained copies of the actual invoices showing the detailed hourly billings. The charges were incurred during the month of September 2015, with the exception of $3,225 listed as a previous balance for work on the fire department retiree issue.

One $200 entry read, "Call with Mr. Richard Reaume regarding fire services agreement, health care costs contract language, and outstanding issues."

Another $100 fee was described as: "Meeting with Michael Cox to discuss Kevin Bennett's Court of Appeals brief."

The dispute between the city and the township centers on retirement costs the township claims the city owes as a result of the joint fire department agreement which was disbanded in 2012. Township officials claim the city owes about $1.3 million in health care retirement costs. City officials have questioned the accuracy of the amount claimed by the township. The invoice from Cox' office includes costs for "correspondence from Mr. Price on cheatsheet for meeting with city" and "drafting discussion points" for Sept. 9 "meeting with City of Plymouth."

Plymouth officials said the city has never been involved in a direct civil action of this type.

2 suspects in auto parts thefts nabbed

Two men have been arrested for the theft of tires and rims from a local vehicle rental business in Plymouth Township.

A township police officer stopped a small pickup truck that was traveling eastbound on Ann Arbor Road near I-275 at about 2:30 a.m. last Thursday, Oct. 22. The officer observed that the vehicle appeared to be heavily weighted down with cement cinder blocks as well as four brand new tires and rims, according to police reports of the incident.

Officer Dane Haskin was aware of numerous recent thefts of tires and rims in many Western Wayne Communities, a police spokesperson said, and questioned both the driver and passenger in the vehicle. The driver, a 25-year-old Southfield resident, was arrested at the scene for driving on a suspended license. The passenger, a 38-year-old Detroit resident, was arrested for a parole violation.

A few hours later, officers responded to Enterprise Leasing at 510 Ann Arbor Road in the City of Plymouth where employees discovered a Ford Expedition with four tires missing, resting on cinder blocks, similar to the blocks found in the vehicle the suspect was driving, police said.

Township officers referred the case to city investigators for further prosecution.

Employees at Enterprise Leasing in the City of Plymouth discovered the rims and tires missing from this Ford Expedition last week.

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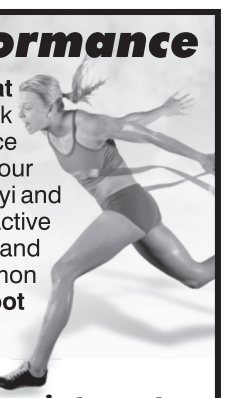

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CANTON - NORTHVILLE

Officers graduate from police and command courses

Michael Kennedy

Gregory DeGrand

Dale Waltz

Canton Police Sergeant Michael Kennedy successfully completed Police Staff and Command School at Eastern Michigan University. Kennedy's graduation was preceded by Sgt. Gregory DeGrand and Sgt. Dale Waltz who successfully completed Michigan State University's Police Staff and Command School in June.

The EMU and MSU Staff and Command Schools are 360- and 400-hour programs, designed to provide extensive training focused on the management, planning, analysis and administration of police departments and personnel. The programs are problem-based learning, fostering critical thinking and philosophies applicable in the law enforcement community. The unique experience takes the officer beyond traditional operational methods and exposes them to conceptual thinking, paving the way for their future success as a command officer, a spokesperson said.

Police Staff and Command School is mandatory for all Canton command officers and is a component of the ongoing training Canton police officers participate in on a regular basis.

DeGrand and Kennedy have been with the department for 14 years, and Waltz has been with the department for 16 years.

All three are currently assigned to the Patrol Division as shift supervisors providing leadership, training and direction to road patrol officers. They are also responsible for administrative assignments and special projects, under the leadership of their assigned shift commander.

Community band to present 'Haunting of Canton Hallows'

Looking for some spooky fun that the whole family can enjoy on Halloween before an evening of trick or treating? The Canton Concert Band will present The Haunting of Canton Hollows….Returns a Halloween concert from 2-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Under the musical direction of Jim Blough, the concert will take audience members on a musical adventure filled with some symphonic tricks and treats and spooky surprises. For this frightfully fun performance, don your best Halloween costume. The Canton Concert Band, comprising more than 50 musicians, is the resident concert band of The Village Theater at Cherry Hill. This group of volunteers, who hail from various backgrounds from throughout the Metro Detroit area, presents this fan-favorite concert each year during which the musicians dress up as scary characters of all kinds. Mainstage theater doors will open a half hour prior to curtain.

Tickets to this Halloween concert are $12 for adults, $10 for seniors and students and can be purchased at www.cantonvillagetheater.org. Tickets are also available for purchase at the Box Office from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and one hour prior to show time. For additional information about the Canton Concert Band, visit www.cantonband.com.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. For more information, call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

New mayor, 2 council members on Northville ballot

Northville voters will choose two city council members and a new mayor at the polls Nov. 3.

Eileen Gikas and Ken Roth each hope to become mayor while incumbent City Council member Nancy Darga, Joe Corriveau and Marilyn Price each hope to fill the two 4-year terms on the city council.

The candidates recently attended a candidate forum hosted by the League of Women Voters Western Wayne.

Gikas said that she wants more enforcement of building codes in the historic district of the city while Roth said he wants a community-wide discussion of the water rates and the needs in the city for roads and sewers.

Roth, an attorney, said he agrees construction rules must be enforced particularly since larger houses place a larger burden on the infrastructure in the community, as evidenced by the storm run off from increased pavement in neighborhoods.

Gikas, a sales manager and volunteer at Our Lady of Victory Church and School, said that preservation of the historic district is one of her priorities. She said her priorities are communication with residents, road and traffic safety and the downtown.

Council candidate Price, a psychologist and 12-year-member of the Youth Assistance program, said managing continued growth, expanded senior housing and bringing the community through transition are her goals. She also said a better blend of downtown business and better roads are among her goals.

Corriveau, a local attorney, said a more collaborative effort with community members is needed in the city. He said he was willing to listen to all options for the city.

Incumbent Darga said she wants to continue to address fiscal responsibility and the impact of the Headlee Amendment on the city budget. She also said development is a priority and that she would like to see a more cohesive vision for the city. Darga is the executive director of the Ford Piquette Avenue Plant in Detroit.

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Maybury Corn Maze is open

The 10-acre Maybury Farm Corn Maze is now open from 6-10 p.m. Fridays, from noon until 10 p.m. Saturdays and from noon until 7 p.m. on Sundays through Nov. 1. The last wagon leaves for the maze one hour prior to close. Group tours and bonfires for 15 or more are available. To reserve a date, call (248)374-0200. Cost to visit the corn maze is $7 per person and includes the hayride and admission to Maybury Farm. As always, children 2 and under are free. All proceeds from the maze are used to pay for the winter feed bills for the farm animals.

Hats For Homeless needed

The Plymouth Community United Way is sponsoring a Hats For The Homeless drive through Dec. 18.

Donors are asked to drop off new hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, blankets, and socks at Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth, during business hours 7:45 a.m. until 4:30 Monday - Thursday and from 7:45 a.m. until 2:45 Friday. All adult and children sizes are welcome.

For more information, call Randi Williams at (734) 453-6879, ext. 7 or e-mail randi.williams@pcuw.org.

Blankets are needed

Plymouth Community United Way is holding a Blanket Drive in support of the homeless community through Jan. 15, 2016.

Blankets must be new, or handmade, and can be dropped at the Plymouth Community United Way office. The address is 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth, MI 48170.

For more information, call Randi Williams at (734) 453-6879, ext. 7 or e-mail randi.williams@pcuw.org.

Lifeline screenings offered

Residents living in and around the Wayne can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with screenings by Life Line Screening. St. Michael Lutheran Church at 3003 Hannan Road in Wayne will host the screenings on Oct. 30.

Screenings can check for: the level of plaque buildup in arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health; HDL and LDL cholesterol levels; diabetes risk; bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis; kidney and thyroid function and more.

Packages start at $149, and consultants can design individual screening packages based on age and risk factors. Call 1 (877) 237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Food supplies sought

Northville Civic Concern is looking for help in filling empty shelves.

The food bank does not have enough food available for the October distribution dates and is described as a critical situation. Client numbers are increasing as donations are decreasing for the group which serves more than 180 Northville households, many with school-age children.

Residents are asked to bring non-expired canned or boxed food to Northville Civic Concern's office at 43261 West Seven Mile Road located in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday or Friday. During other hours, items can be dropped off at Cassel's Restaurant or World Wide Alterations also located in the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza. Donations are accepted at Genitti's Restaurant, The UPS Store, Great Harvest Bread Company, and Northville City Hall.

There is a special need for fruit, macaroni and cheese, cereal, and canned meat products. For more information, call (248) 344-1033 on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday.

Trick or Treat in Northville

Halloween Trick or Treating will take place in downtown Northville from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 31.

Several streets will be closed to vehicle traffic from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

In an effort to ensure the safest conditions for the children, city council members have again authorized the following street closures:Main Street (Wing to Rogers); Dunlap Street (Wing to Rogers); Linden Street (Main to Randolph); West Street (Main to Randolph); High Street (Main to Randolph); Linden Court (Linden to the end); Dubuar Street (Linden to the west end) and N. Rogers Street (W. Main to Potomac)

No vehicles will be allowed to enter or leave this area between the hours of 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. Those who need to travel to or from homes during these hours should park vehicles in parking lot #2, located directly east of Wing Street between Main and Dunlap.

Halloween Party planned

A Halloween party will take place from 4-7 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Thomas J. Coleman Center, 35351 Beverly Road in Romulus.

There will be a costume contest, music, dancing and food for those from 1 to 16 years of age.

For more information, contact Chairwoman Barbara Underwood, (734) 941-1997.

Spooktacular set at air museum

Witches, ghosts, some monkeys and even the occasional pig can and do fly, sometimes seeking a day of fame at museums on Halloween, especially at the Yankee Air Museum Halloween Spooktacular from 1-4 p.m. Oct. 31.

Admission is free at the museum, located at 47884 D St. in Belleville.

The party will include science experiments and educational activities for children 15 and younger. There will be a costume parade, games, prizes and Halloween treats at the free event.

Senator sets office hours

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck and District Manager Penny Crider will conduct monthly office hours for November in Plymouth from 6-7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 2. The office hours are at the Plymouth District Library in the Friends Board Room and will be open to the public.

The library is located at 223 South Main St. in downtown Plymouth.

Colbeck will be on hand to answer questions and respond to concerns any residents of his district may have. All are welcome, and no appointment is necessary.

Colbeck represents the 7th Senate District, which encompasses the cities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Wayne, as well as the townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth.

For more information or to contact Colbeck, visit www.SenatorPatrickColbeck.com or call (517) 373-5713.

Free hockey day offered

Boys and girls ages 4 to 9 can enjoy a free hockey day at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Nov. 1. Skaters should arrive at 10 a.m.

Free hockey instruction will be offered by Gordon Bowman and Plymouth Canton Hockey Association coaches. No prior hockey experience is necessary. Pre-registration is required at https://maha.sportgin.com/register/form/608841969.

Players will receive a jersey to keep provided by the Detroit Red Wings Foundation. There is a limited amount of equipment available to use and players are urged to bring their own.

Photography club to meet

The only Michigan 3D photography club will meet from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, just south of Five Mile Road.

The meeting will feature a special presentation by renowned 3D expert George "Dr.T" Themelis. After a refreshment break, there will be a 3D image competition among club members.

The meetings are free and open to the public. Stereo cameras, 3D movies and educational videos are available for members to borrow or rent.

For more information, visit http://www.detroit3d.org/www.Detroit3D.org , or call Dennis Green at (248) 398-3591.

Annual church fair planned

First Congregational Church will present the 69th Annual Church Fair, Christmas Bells A'Ringing, from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. Nov. 5 and 6 at the church, 2 Towne Square in Wayne.

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., ala carte and dinner will be served from 5-7 p.m.

The dinner cost is $10 for adults and $4 for children.

The fair includes a Christmas shop, a boutique and country store along with attic treasures and book, hand made goods a kids shop, a coffee shop and a raffle. The building is handicap accessible at the south entrance.

Genealogy group to meet

Members of the Northville Genealogical Society will meet from 1:15 until 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, at the Northville District Library, 212 West Cady. The roundtable "Canadian Research" will begin at 1:15 p.m., a business meeting at 2:30 p.m., followed by Barbara Snow presenting "A Century of Change - 19th Century Marriage Laws and Customs" at 3:00 p.m.

Snow, a former librarian, teaches classes on genealogy at Washtenaw Community College and is a well-known lecturer. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Individual help on genealogy is offered in the Local History Room at the Northville District Library from 1-3 p.m. Mondays and also by appointment.

For more information contact Grace Wilfong (248) 349-9079 or visit www.rootsweb.com/~mings